Answer.

(a) Yes.

(b) Orders have already been issued in the matter.

(c) No complaints have been received by Government in this regard so far.

Students passing out of Anglo-Indian Schools.

21. [8] **Shri C. F. Pereira** : Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :

(a) whether students passing out of Anglo-Indian Schools after undergoing eleven year course (Madras Scheme or Indian Council Scheme) will be admitted in the Second Year P. U. C.;

(b) if not, what alternative arrangement can be made to save one year for them ; and

(c) will the Government be pleased to consider the holding of a final examination for the eleven year students to equate them with the first year P. U. C. so that they may get admission in the 2nd year without lowering of standard ?

Answer.

(a) No:

(b & c) These questions will be examined in consultation with the University.

Fee Concession.

22. [12] **Shri C. F. Pereira** : Will the Chief Minister be pleased to state :

whether the children of soldiers and Policemen at present serving with the forces at the front are eligible for free education in Government Schools and Technical Institutions in Kerala ?

Answer.

In Standards IX and X in all the Departmental and Aided Schools that come under the purview of the K. E. R., free education has been sanctioned to the children of Service personnel. Similar concessions have been sanctioned to the children of members of State Police Forces assigned duties on the Indo-Tibetan border during the present emergency. The above concession has not been granted in technical institutions.

New Era Manufacturing Co., Muttikulangara.

23. [13] **Shri M. V. Vasu** : Will the Minister for Transport and Labour be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the New Era Manufacturing Co., Muttikulangara near Olavakot has been on lock-out for the last two months ;

(b) whether labourers have been given lay-off compensation ;

(c) will the Government take steps to reopen the factory ;

(d) will the Government consider taking steps to prosecute the management ; and

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